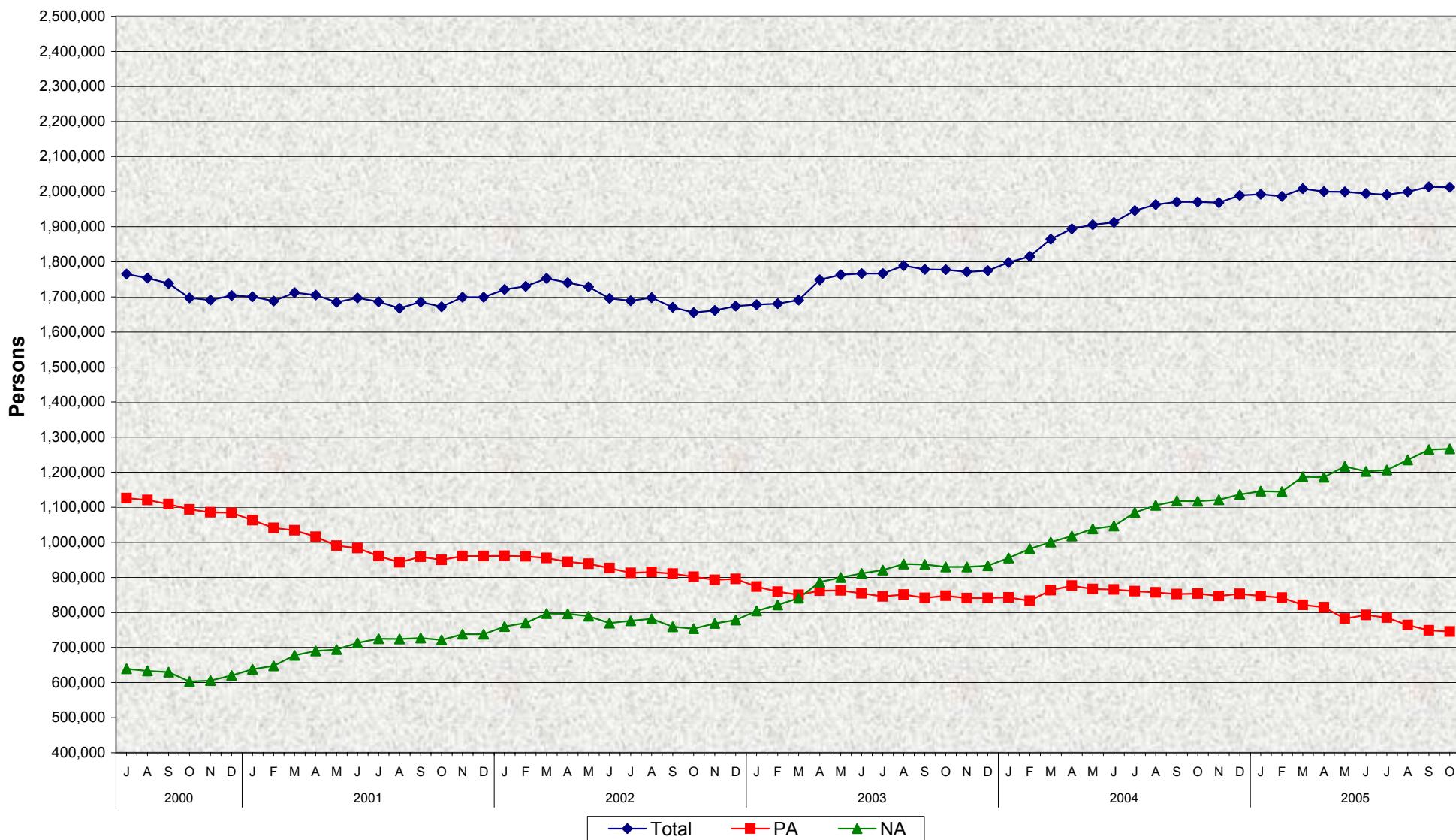


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**MONTHLY PERCENT CHANGE**

		Jul	% Chg	Aug	% Chg	Sep	% Chg	Oct	% Chg	Nov	% Chg	Dec	% Chg	Jan	% Chg	Feb	% Chg	Mar	% Chg	Apr	% Chg	May	% Chg	Jun	% Chg
00/01	Total	1,765,313	-1.2%	1,753,566	-0.7%	1,738,542	-0.9%	1,696,930	-2.4%	1,691,134	-0.3%	1,704,338	0.8%	1,700,576	-0.2%	1,688,513	-0.7%	1,711,947	1.4%	1,705,712	-0.4%	1,684,620	-1.2%	1,696,850	0.7%
	PA	1,125,966	-4.5%	1,120,759	-0.5%	1,108,745	-1.1%	1,093,782	-1.3%	1,085,445	-0.8%	1,084,419	-0.1%	1,062,824	-2.0%	1,041,046	-2.0%	1,034,139	-0.7%	1,015,585	-1.8%	990,469	-2.5%	983,606	-0.7%
	NA	639,347	5.1%	632,807	-1.0%	629,797	-0.5%	603,148	-4.2%	605,689	0.4%	619,919	2.3%	637,752	2.9%	647,467	1.5%	677,808	4.7%	690,127	1.8%	694,151	0.6%	713,244	2.8%
01/02	Total	1,685,890	-0.6%	1,667,437	-1.1%	1,685,793	1.1%	1,671,715	-0.8%	1,699,161	1.6%	1,699,161	0.0%	1,720,862	1.3%	1,729,990	0.5%	1,752,413	1.3%	1,740,284	-0.7%	1,728,562	-0.7%	1,695,989	-1.9%
	PA	960,614	-2.3%	942,887	-1.8%	958,772	1.7%	949,959	-0.9%	961,078	1.2%	961,078	0.0%	961,198	0.0%	960,101	-0.1%	955,325	-0.5%	944,138	-1.2%	938,892	-0.6%	926,617	-1.3%
	NA	725,276	1.7%	724,550	-0.1%	727,021	0.3%	721,756	-0.7%	738,083	2.3%	738,083	0.0%	759,664	2.9%	769,889	1.3%	797,088	3.5%	796,146	-0.1%	789,670	-0.8%	769,372	-2.6%
02/03	Total	1,688,887	-0.4%	1,697,962	0.5%	1,670,174	-1.6%	1,655,127	-0.9%	1,661,446	0.4%	1,674,107	0.8%	1,678,230	0.2%	1,680,728	0.1%	1,691,259	0.6%	1,748,508	3.4%	1,762,679	0.8%	1,766,531	0.2%
	PA	912,831	-1.5%	915,847	0.3%	911,029	-0.5%	901,619	-1.0%	892,773	-1.0%	895,540	0.3%	873,855	-2.4%	859,206	-1.7%	850,253	-1.0%	862,069	1.4%	863,058	0.1%	854,773	-1.0%
	NA	776,056	0.9%	782,115	0.8%	759,145	-2.9%	753,508	-0.7%	768,673	2.0%	778,567	1.3%	804,375	3.3%	821,522	2.1%	841,006	2.4%	886,439	5.4%	899,621	1.5%	911,758	1.3%
03/04	Total	1,766,501	0.0%	1,789,139	1.3%	1,778,326	-0.6%	1,777,685	0.0%	1,770,989	-0.4%	1,774,922	0.2%	1,798,172	1.3%	1,814,837	0.9%	1,864,376	2.7%	1,894,222	1.6%	1,905,483	0.6%	1,912,199	0.4%
	PA	845,718	-1.1%	851,057	0.6%	841,563	-1.1%	847,431	0.7%	841,108	-0.7%	841,602	0.1%	843,116	0.2%	833,539	-1.1%	863,651	3.6%	876,337	1.5%	866,851	-1.1%	865,377	-0.2%
	NA	920,783	1.0%	938,082	1.9%	936,763	-0.1%	930,254	-0.7%	929,881	0.0%	933,320	0.4%	955,056	2.3%	981,298	2.7%	1,000,725	2.0%	1,017,885	1.7%	1,038,632	2.0%	1,046,822	0.8%
04/05	Total	1,945,773	1.8%	1,963,298	0.9%	1,970,434	0.4%	1,970,909	0.0%	1,968,700	-0.1%	1,989,154	1.0%	1,992,793	0.2%	1,986,766	-0.3%	2,008,704	1.1%	2,000,483	-0.4%	1,999,312	-0.1%	1,995,035	-0.2%
	PA	860,879	-0.5%	857,564	-0.4%	852,400	-0.6%	853,783	0.2%	847,192	-0.8%	852,896	0.7%	846,797	-0.7%	842,399	-0.5%	821,603	-2.5%	814,979	-0.8%	782,823	-3.9%	793,106	1.3%
	NA	1,084,894	3.6%	1,105,734	1.9%	1,118,034	1.1%	1,117,126	-0.1%	1,121,508	0.4%	1,136,258	1.3%	1,145,996	0.9%	1,144,367	-0.1%	1,187,101	3.7%	1,185,504	-0.1%	1,216,489	2.6%	1,201,929	-1.2%
05/06	Total	1,991,336	-1.2%	1,999,698	0.4%	2,013,639	0.7%	2,012,422	-0.1%																
	PA	784,984	-4.5%	764,390	-2.6%	749,193	-2.0%	745,779	-0.5%																
	NA	1,206,352	5.1%	1,235,308	2.4%	1,264,446	2.4%	1,266,643	0.2%																

**TRENDS**

- **Food Stamp persons decreased 0.1% between September 2005 and October 2005.**  
 0.5% decrease in PA persons  
 0.2% increase in NA persons
- **Food Stamp persons increased 2.1% between October 2004 and October 2005.**  
 12.7% decrease in PA persons  
 13.4% increase in NA persons
- **Effective April 2003, eligibility rule changes allowed certain CFAP recipients to convert to the federal food stamp program.**

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